GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3367
ANSWERED ON:21.12.2004
LOWER SUBANSIRI HYDRO POWER PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total outlay, installed capacity, commissioning schedule and economic rate of return of Lower Subansiri Hydro Power Project;

(b) the allocation made towards compensatory afforestation, community welfare programme, social development of surrounding population and rehabilitation of affected people showing year-wise target, executing agency and achievement made so far;

(c) whether major contractors are also mandated to undertake community development programme as their social obligations to the area; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) : Approval of the Government of India has been conveyed on 9.9.2003 for implementation of the Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project (2000 MW) in Arunachal Pradesh in the Central sector by National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited (NHPC) at an estimated cost of Rs.6285.33 crores including IDC of Rs.670.92 cores at December 2002 price level, with a debt equity ratio of 70:30 which includes Rs.40.91 crores sanctioned for Stage-II activities. The economic rate of return has been estimated at 11.95%. The project is scheduled for commissioning in 2010.

(b) : Details of the allocation made towards compensatory, afforestation, community welfare programme, social development of surrounding population and rehabilitation of affected people showing year-wise target, executing agency and achievements, are given in Annexure-I and II.

(c) : No, Sir.

(d) : Does not arise in view of reply (c) above.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3367 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 21.12.2004.

Sl. No.	Plan	Allocated Cost (Rs. in lacs)	Executing Agency	Year-wise Target, if any	Achievement/Fund Spent so far (Rs. in lacs)
1.	Compensatory afforestation	4928.19	State Forest Department of Arunachal Pradesh & Assam	Entire amount on this account is payable before formal forest clearance issued by MoEF, Government of India the amount has already been paid in year 2003	8094.78 (Rs.6942.68 lacs paid to State Forest Department of Arunachal Pradesh and Rs.1152.10 lacs paid to State Forest Department of Assam).
				Due to change in the guidelines of the State Governments, cost of compensatory afforestation has	

			increased from the original proposed amount.
2.	Community Welfare Programme	Included in R&R package	Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	The implementation of the Resettlement & Rehabilitation is the responsibility of the State Government. The action being taken by NHPC on its part as a social obligation inter alia includes providing Primary
3.	Social dev. of surrounding population			Health Center, Community center & primary school building for project-affected persons. In addition, facilities of project hospitals, schools and post offices would be available to the local population.
4.	Rehabilitation of affected people	306.75	Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	R & R package for affected families is given in Annexure-II. In addition, NHPC has paid Rs 313.98 lacs to Dy. Commissioner (Ziro), Lower Subansiri District, in lieu of rights and privileges of the local people. In addition, the State of Arunachal Pradesh would be given 12% free power from out of generation in the project.
				The expenditure shall be commensurate with the progress and requirement of the project.

ANNEXURE-II

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R&R PACKAGE FOR SUBANSIRI LOWER PROJECT

1. Villagers of both the villages have decided to shift from their villages to a new location to be decided by the District / State Administration due to submergence of their cultivable land in the reservoir of Subansiri Lower Project.

2. Cultivable land: It has been decided that NHPC will provide one hectare land to each PAF (total 38 PAFs) and they will be compensated for remaining cultivable land coming under submergence.

3. House and Homestead land: Each PAF will be provided homestead land of 150 sq.m and another 50 sq.m. would be given to construct animal shed and granary.

4. A lump sum amount of Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees two lacs fifty thousand only) will be paid by NHPC to each PAF as grant / assistance / subsidy for land development costs of one ha land and seeds & fertilizers for it, house construction and its plot development; rehabilitation grant such as subsistence / maintenance allowance for up-keeping of cattle, poultry and piggery etc.

5. The above lump sum assistance shall be paid after six months of getting possession of land where rehabilitation is to be done and making fencing of entire land.

6. The PAF will be allowed to retrieve materials from their original house. NHPC would provide free transportation facilities to shift the household belongings and other retrievable materials to the new location site.

7. The compensation of land, trees and other immovable property shall be paid by NHPC to the landlords after due assessment / verification and approval by the District Authority of State Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

8. About 40 ha of land nearer to a road and water source will be required for rehabilitation of both villages (20.0 ha for each village) which have to be provided to NHPC Ltd. by the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh totally free of cost. The PAFS from the two villages would be rehabilitated at two different sites as per their choice preferably.

9. Sanitary facilities: Each house would be provided with a low cost sanitary latrine with a common septic tank or soak pit that can cater to 5 houses.

10. School Building: One primary school including a playground would be provided by NHPC in the Rehabilitation colony.

11. Vocational Training: Training would be provided to the village youth in animal husbandry, horticulture, weaving and other activities.

12. Other facilities to be provided at the resettlement colony:

- One small building for Community Center
- One small building for Primary Health Center
- Approach road to the new relocation site
- Piped water supply system

13. NHPC has agreed to consider the request of the villagers to give preference in service to an eligible member of PAF when the vacancies for services will be available in the project.

14. Preference will be given to one eligible member of PAF in award of contract for small works in the project.